

## Chief Testimony All In

Witnesses for the State Giving Evidence in Rebuttal.

## TRYING TO BREAK THE ALIBI.

Not Yet Known What Line the Arguments of the Defense Will Take—It is Now Believed that the Case Will go to the Jury on Wednesday Afternoon.

CANTON, April 22.—The end of the murder trial which has been in progress for the past three weeks, and which has been the subject of conversation in every public place in the city as well as on the street corners, is now in sight. The question now is, "What will the verdict be?" Some there are who look for a verdict of guilty as charged, many others a verdict of murder in the second degree, still others a verdict of manslaughter, and some for acquittal. The testimony in chief on behalf of the accused was closed Friday afternoon about 4 o'clock, the last witness called being Sample C. George, the former husband of the defendant, but now married and living in Alliance with the two boys born of his marriage with Mrs. George. His testimony was introduced for the purpose of showing, or tending to show, that he and the alleged murderess lived together happily until they came to Canton and met George D. Saxton.

The defense has presented to the court and jury testimony tending to prove an alibi, justification for the crime, emotional insanity, but never at any time during the presentation have they said by witnesses that they denied the killing of George Saxton on the evening of October 7, 1898. Just what defense they will set up in the arguments to the court and jury is only conjectural, and depends largely upon the strength added by the state in rebuttal testimony. As to the alibi the state is making every preparation to meet it. County Surveyor J. S. Hoover was engaged Friday night making a survey of the points involved which, with other evidence to be introduced in rebuttal, will show Mrs. George, from the testimony of her own witnesses, to have been within four blocks of where the revolver was found, and by this same witness to have been at her house within twenty minutes after the shooting of Saxton in Lincoln avenue.

Besides the attack to be made on the time set up in the alibi testimony, the state will undertake to show that it is possible for any person to reach the home of the "alibi witness" within the time stated, about twenty minutes. It has been proven that Mrs. George was very near the scene of the shooting at 6 o'clock, and the preponderance of the testimony is that the killing of Saxton occurred at 6:10 o'clock. At best there is only a margin of from eight to ten minutes in the alibi, yet the attorneys for the defense seem satisfied that they have established the alibi. Witnesses, in the person of three or four of the most reputable and skilled physicians of Canton, will be put on the stand in rebuttal by the state to meet the attack made on the testimony of Mrs. Eckroate because of her morphia habit. They are expected to testify from an examination of her mentality and also of her being a nurse of patients in their charge and nursing them in a satisfactory manner.

An attack will also be made on the testimony of Mrs. Lizzie Miller, who said she saw the mysterious man in a long black mackintosh, cape and sailor hat. An effort will be made to show that she is spiritualist, and was led to believe in the "man apparition" from the strange impression she had the morning after she heard of Saxton's death. There is a strong prevailing sentiment that the defense has greatly weakened their case, if they ever had any, by the introduction of witnesses of questionable repute and associating Mrs. George with them for the past two or three years. Today will be devoted to hearing rebuttal testimony. It is the opinion that at least two days will be consumed in argument.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.  
At the opening of court Friday afternoon, Mr. Pomerene cross-examined Mrs. Mandebaugh, who had testified to Mrs. Althouse's visits to the Saxton block. Nothing material developed.

MISS FLORENCE B. KLINGER  
Testified to having known Mrs. George for some time. She formed her acquaintance in 1896, while Mrs. George roomed with Mrs. Finley. She went to the Saxton block with Mrs. George one night during the St. Louis convention. They saw Janitor Shepard during that visit and Mrs. George went into Saxton's office. Witness went home and Mrs. George came later in company with the janitor. Mrs. George had a package wrapped in a newspaper. Witness and Mrs. George went to the latter's room. "What did you do?"  
Objection by the state.  
The court—"I presume this is in re-

gard to the scraps of paper."  
Mr. Sterling explained that the scraps were letters from Mrs. George to Saxton. They were excluded until such time as other parts of the correspondence may be introduced into from representatives of the Saxton estate.

"What was Mrs. George doing in regard to preparations for housekeeping while she was living at the Finley house?"

Objection by the state.  
The court—"What evidence of a promise to marry have you aside from the defendant's statements in conversations with others?"

Mr. Sterling—"I don't know that we have anything else, but we have those statements."

The court then referred to an Ohio ruling and sustained the objection.

Witness only knew Saxton by sight, but she saw him at the Finley house several times a week during the early summer of 1896.

"When did you last see Saxton?"

"The evening of his death, on West Tuscarawas street, at five minutes of 6, as near as I can remember. I saw him near the new Home Savings Building & Loan company. He was going west and so was I. At Cleveland avenue he continued west and I turned south, going to my home in Marion street. I went into the house just as the clock struck 6. I ate supper and stayed at home until about 7:30. Mrs. George came to the house about 6:25 and remained until 6:50 when she said she was going to Sterling's office."

The place she said she was going to was excluded because it was an alleged admission after the homicide.

"About 6:30, after Mrs. George came, Mr. Howenstine came to the house."

Cross-examination by Mr. Grant—Witness said she is unmarried and lives at No. 1,321 East Tuscarawas street. She is a sister to Elmer Baxter.

"How do your names happen to differ?"

"Klinger was my husband's name."

"Then you are married?"

"I was married, but I am not now, I was divorced in 1892."

"Didn't your husband sue for divorce on the grounds of unfaithfulness, and you made no answer to the petition?"

Mr. Sterling—"I object."

The court—"Objection sustained. We are not trying a divorce case."

"You are the Florence Klinger that lived at the Idlewild?"

"No, sir."

"You say you nurse for a living; who have you nursed for?"

"For Lida Newell, in Cleveland."

Several places of questionable reputation were mentioned and witness asked if she had not been in them. As to one she said she had been there for three weeks, but on learning the nature of the place she left. She also mentioned several Canton homes in which she had nursed during last summer.

"You have been to Charley Simmon's many a time?"

"No, sir."

"You were often at Balser's?"

"No, sir."

Similar queries were made with regard to other places of questionable repute.

"Did you ever see Saxton go into the Finley house?"

"No, sir."

"Did you ever see him sit on the porch?"

"No, sir."

"Why did you leave Mrs. Finley?"

"I went to housekeeping in a room in the Empire block with Lydia Bell."

"Didn't you leave Mrs. Finley's because Mrs. Finley told you to go on account of your conduct?"

"No, sir."

The court at this point limited inquiries in regard to the character of women with whom the witness associated or lived with.

"How long did your brother live with you in Marion street?"

"One winter."

"How long did you live alone in Marion street?"

"I lived there two years and a half. Aside from one winter, my brother came to Marion street and stayed there for a few days or a few weeks at a time."

"How well did you know Saxton?"

"He followed me home one night."

"You were walking and he rode a bicycle back of you?"

"Yes, sir."

"I thought so."

At this point Mr. Grant took up an inquiry in regard to seeing Saxton and Mrs. George the night of Saxton's death.

"You entered your home as the clock struck 6?"

"Yes, sir."

"What did you do then?"

"I got supper."

"How long did it take you?"

"I don't know. It didn't take long. I was in a hurry because I was expecting company, Ira Howenstine, to call in the evening. We had been keeping company about two years. Mrs. George came in while I was getting supper. I asked her to have supper, but she declined."

"How far is it to your home in Marion street from the square?"

"About three and a half blocks."

Counting from street to street as Mr. Grant named them this distance was increased.

"You have been a good friend of Mrs. George?"

"Yes, sir."

"You are a warm friend of her's now?"

"Yes, sir."

Redirect—"I now live with Mr. and Mrs. Brubaker in East Tuscarawas street."

"How did Mrs. George appear when she came to your house that night?"

"She appeared as she always did."

IRA HOWENSTINE,  
of No. 724 Meyer avenue, was examined by Sterling. He knew Mr. Saxton and has known Mrs. George three or four years. Of the evening of Saxton's death, witness said:

"About 6 o'clock I left my home in Meyer avenue and went to Martin's saloon. I remained there four or five minutes and then went to Miss Klinger's house. I got to the house, No. 311 Marion street, about 6:35. Mrs. George was there talking to Miss Klinger. Mrs. George remained there until about 6:50. I had seen Mrs. George there a number of times. She appeared as she always had. We had some conversation."

Cross-examination by Mr. Pomerene—"You estimate that it was 6:35 when you got to Klinger's; you didn't look at your watch?"

"I looked at the clock at the house."

"How did you happen to look at the clock?"

"I had an engagement with Miss Klinger at 6:30."

SAMPLE C. GEORGE  
was called to the stand. As his name was announced Mr. Welty sat on a corner of the counsel table just in front of and with his back to Mrs. George, completely shutting off her view from the witness box. She made no effort to see the witness and was impassive from the time he entered until he left. Her face was partly turned from the stand and her chin rested on her hand in which a handkerchief was held during all of the testimony. She only looked up once or twice and then it was towards the crowd back of the press table.

George was examined by Mr. Welty and after he had said he had been married and separated from his wife in 1889 was asked:

"From the time of your marriage to the accused until you met George D. Saxton, what were your relations with your wife?"

Objection by state overruled.

"They were pleasant and happy."

"That is all."

Witness told of the various places he had lived with his first wife in answer to questions and told of moving into the Saxton block in 1886 and remaining there until 1887.

Redirect—"How many children were born to your marriage?"

"Three."

"One is dead?"

"Yes, sir."

"Yes, sir."

"Is this one of them?" pointing to Howard, the youngest.

Re-cross examination: "You say your relations were always pleasant with your wife?"

"Always pleasant except for the ordinary troubles that come between man and wife."

"Didn't you have troubles at Hanover?"

"No, sir."

"Where were you at the birth of that child you say is a good boy?"

"At Salem."

"You were not even with your wife then?"

"No, sir."

"How far is Salem from Hanover?"

"About ten miles."

"You were not there for some time after the birth?"

"I got home the same night."

"You hadn't been there for ten days or two weeks before?"

"It was over two weeks."

"She complained to you then?"

"No, sir; I had left her in good care."

"Didn't you have differences for some time after this?"

"No, sir."

"You remember the time you wanted her to go away from you and that you directed her to go back home?"

"No, sir."

"You never had any difference till she left you?"

"Only such little ones as I told you of before."

"Not up till 1889?"

"No; we had trouble when we moved into the Saxton block."

"You went into the Saxton block when?"

"In 1887."

"And had troubles from then on?"

"From a short time after that."

"Up until 1888?"

"Yes, sir."

BENJAMIN BUTLER,  
being examined by Mr. Welty, said that he was in 1889 connected with the management of the Zoar hotel. For three

days from December 27 of that year, Saxton was at the hotel with a woman. The woman, he thought, was the accused in this case. He said he knew Mrs. Eva Althouse. She and Saxton were in Zoar for dinner one day last summer. They came on bicycles. Saxton did not register.

MICHAEL BUREE,  
who now lives in Barberton, is a quaint Irishman with a broad brogue and a taste for humor. He knows Attorney Grant quite well and was ready for a joke with him. During his examination there was such laughter in court as to occasion many raps for order and a threat from the bench to clear the room.

He said he now lives in retirement in Summit county, but formerly was a neighbor of the Eckroate family in Navarre. He knew the family quite well.

"Did you know of Mrs. Eckroate using morphine?"

"Yes, sir; I know she did."

"How did you learn it?"

"Because her stepdaughters came to my house late at night saying their mother was cross."

Objected to by the state and excluded.

"I saw her take morphine in my house and in hers."

Witness said Mrs. Eckroate once left her husband in Canton and came to my house. He tried to persuade her to go back to her husband and quit using the morphine. She said she could not quit using it; that she would use it as long as she lived. At another time Mrs. Eckroate told him she could not get along with the family. She said she would use the drug as long as she lived.

"What was the effect of the drug on Mrs. Eckroate?"

"Sometimes she looked wild and sometimes she was drowsy. She was inclined to be cross."

Cross examination by Mr. Grant—Mike excuse me, I should have said Mr. Burke, but I've called you Mike so long I couldn't help it."

"That's all right Mr. Grant."

"You used to keep a saloon?"

"Yes, and I kept groceries and dry goods, too."

"But when you didn't keep dry goods and groceries you kept saloon?"

"I always kept dry goods and groceries and sometimes the other things on the side."

"You kept the place up near the railroad."

"Yes, sir; it was the best saloon ever in the town."

In other answers the witness said there had been a good deal of domestic trouble in the Eckroate family. He said he had often been at the Eckroate home and Mrs. Eckroate at his home.

MISS LAURA BURKE,  
of Barberton, daughter of the last witness, was examined by Mr. Sterling. She testified that she was a neighbor of the Eckroates in Navarre.

"What do you know about Mrs. Eckroate using morphine?"

"I know she took it until it made her crazy sometimes and made her violent sometimes."

"Did you know it was morphine?"

"The girls said it was morphine and that it was the stuff she got drunk on."

Witness told of trouble between Mr. and Mrs. Eckroate when he said it was all on account of morphine. Mrs. Eckroate said she tried to quit but couldn't. Once the witness visited the Eckroate home in Canton. Mrs. Eckroate threw her stepdaughter down and threatened her with a butcher knife. Witness took the knife and pacified her. Mrs. Eckroate became violent again at 11 o'clock that night and the next morning she had no recollection of the witness being in their home during the night.

MRS. LIZZIE MILLER,  
the witness who testified to seeing the man in the mackintosh and cape on Lincoln avenue the night of Saxton's death, was called for at the opening of court Saturday.

Mr. Pomerene said Dr. House had reported her too ill to attend yesterday, and that Dr. Marchand had been sent this morning to examine her with reference to appearance today.

Permission was reserved to cross-examine her when she appeared and the state began evidence in rebuttal.

COUNTY SURVEYOR HOOVER  
was the first witness called to testify as to distances from the Althouse house to Tuscarawas street, and over Duerber avenue and South street to the Klinger residence on Marion street. After objections by the defense Judge Taylor excluded measurements between the points over any specified route. The object of the testimony was to show that the accused might have started from the scene of the tragedy after the shooting and reached the Marion street home of Miss Klinger at the time named in the latter's testimony.

S. A. KIRK,  
proprietor of the Star restaurant, testified that on the evening of Saxton's death he saw Mrs. George, but after objection from the defense was sustained preventing the witness from telling the hour, which was between 4 and 5 o'clock, according to Mr. Grant, who said the testimony was in rebuttal of testimony of witnesses who testified to Mrs. George being in South Market street at or near 5:30 o'clock. The court said this should have gone into chief.

A certificate from Dr. Marchand was read stating that Mrs. Miller was too ill to leave home.

Mr. Grant offered the court docket on the divorce of Florence B. Klinger to impeach the witness. The docket was excluded.

FRED S. M'CLOUD  
Was called and asked concerning the search of Mrs. George in police headquarters after her arrest.

"What, if anything, did you find in her corsage?"

Objection by defense sustained; the court holding that the details of the search should have been given direct, and were not competent in rebuttal.

## A C. L. & W. WRECK

A Fireman Injured and Much Damage Done.

## A REAR END COLLISION.

A Train Breaks in Two, and While Attempting to Prevent One Wreck Another Occurs—Engine and Cars Thrown Into One Great Heap.

One man was injured, several others had narrow escapes, an engine was badly damaged and a caboose, a box-car and four gondolas were demolished in a wreck on the Cleveland, Lorain & Wheeling railroad at 6 o'clock Saturday morning, a half mile north of Crystal Spring. Jacob Hoffman, the injured man, was brought to the Flynn residence, near the local C. L. & W. station. His worst injury is to his spine. Dr. Hardy is attending him. Hoffman's home is in Alliance.

It was a rear end collision. Both trains were freights. The first was the second section of No. 69; the other was the third section of No. 69. The section broke in two just this side of Canal Fulton. The trainmen were aware of the fact, and those on the rear train applied the brakes to bring their half to a stop. They succeeded, but they could not flag the third section in time to prevent it from crashing into their train. Engineer Heidert and Fireman Hoffman, of the third section, and all the men on the section jumped in time to save their lives. Hoffman landed on hard ground and was injured, but Heidert and the others escaped without a scratch.

The caboose was reduced to kindling wood. The box car contained general merchandise, which was scattered in every direction. One gondola was laden with limestone, the other with iron ore, and two were empty. The engine buried itself in an embankment. It is impossible to tell whether or not it is too badly damaged to be repaired. The debris blocked freight traffic on the road until about noon. Passenger trains were transferred to the Massillon & Cleveland branch of the Pennsylvania railway and were thus taken around the wreck.

## FROM NEARBY TOWNS.

### NORTH LAWRENCE NEWS.

NORTH LAWRENCE, April 21.—Our schools will close Friday of this week. Public examination, were held Thursday and Friday, which the public attended. The closing exercises will be held tonight, to which ten cents admission will be charged.

The ladies of the M. E. church will hold a bazaar in the rink Saturday, April 21. Many useful and ornamental articles will be on sale, and supper will be served from 5 to 7 o'clock for ten cents. Everybody should attend. The proceeds to go towards repairing the church.

Quite a number of R-bekabs attended the social at Massillon Tuesday, and report a good time.

The Minglewood baseball club are getting the ground in shape for the coming season, and expect to have a strong team. They will hold their annual ball next Tuesday night, which promises to be a grand event.

Wm. Baumgartner, superintendent of the Mullins mines, was at Wooster on business Wednesday.

Andrew Slixo left the beginning of the week for East Palestine, where he expects to spend several months with his son and family.

James Keller is at Canton today. Manager Cooper desired to have an interview with our local shortstop, with a view of signing. James is a fast player and should they come to terms he will give a good account of himself.

John Corker, 61 years of age, who for the past forty years has resided near Pleasant View school house, died Monday morning at the infirmary, where he was taken to have an operation performed on one of his feet. He was brought home Monday night, and funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Mononthe church, the Rev. Mr. Miller, of the U. B. church officiating. The remains were taken to the Massillon cemetery for interment.

### CRYSTAL SPRING NOTES.

CRYSTAL SPRING, April 21.—Dr. A. G. Klinger, of Cleveland, has come to this place to practice medicine. This is the first doctor this village has had and now a long felt want is filled.

George Ries, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Ries, accidentally fell off the porch at his home, yesterday, and broke his arm. Dr. Hallock reduced the fracture.

### THE DALTON BOARD.

DALTON, April 20.—The Dalton board of education has re-organized with J. M. Angus president. Mr. Angus and John Young are the new members of the board.

Since small pox has made its appearance in the county, physicians have been called upon to vaccinate many people.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gibson, a daughter.

For spring novelties and popular prices see Klotz, 34 E. Main.

## THE FIRST ARREST.

Alleged Assailant of the Benders in Jail.

## CAUGHT AT CANAL DOVER.

Also Supposed to Have Had Connection with the Massillon Postoffice Robbery—Mayor Wise Disposes of Four Tramps—Other Cases.

Sheriff Zaiser came up from Canal Dover this morning with William Henderson, whom he had taken to the county jail at Canton, in custody. Henderson is thought to be the man who assaulted and robbed the Benders, west of here, a little more than a year ago, and he is supposed to have had a hand in the Massillon postoffice robbery. There are also other charges against him. The authorities had considerable difficulty in locating Henderson, who disappeared about the time certain part of his was arrested. Henderson was indicted on a charge of complicity in the Bender crime



## THE INDEPENDENT.

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sale at Bahner's Book Store, Bam-  
miller's Cigar Stand (Hotel Conrad),  
and Bert Hanklin's News stand in  
North Mill street.

MONDAY, APRIL 24, 1899.

Mutball has furnished statistics to show that the wealth of the United States is twenty-two billions greater than that of Great Britain; nearly twice that of France, and equal to that combined of Russia, Italy, Austria and Spain. These statistics are based on values as shown by real estate records, buildings, merchandise and railways as well as the circulating medium in each nation.

Postmaster Van Cott, in a letter to the postmaster general giving a comparative statement of the receipts at the New York office states that those for the month of March are unprecedented in the records of the office. The year 1898 was a most remarkable year in the history of American prosperity, and it appeared even more wonderful than it really was from the comparison of the free trade times preceding it, but from the present outlook 1899 bids fair to outstrip 1898 as a record breaker.

In establishing what is to be known as a School of Public Health in New York, the university of the state of New York has taken a step which will merit the approval of the entire country. According to The Outlook, the purpose of the school is to prevent disease. Instruction will be given in sanitation and hygiene, and all accredited medical and sanitary officers in the state will be entitled to free instruction. Special provision will be made for training factory and school inspectors, inspectors of food supplies and of charitable institutions, and to provide expert chemical and bacteriological assistance for public health officers. If those for whose benefit the school is designed take advantage of the opportunities offered, the importance of hygienic and sanitary laws will soon be better understood by the general public and public officers will have less difficulty in enforcing them.

That the wool growers of the United States are suffering from the disastrous effects of the free trade policy of the Cleveland administration is clearly pointed out in the April circular of Justice, Bateman & Co., of Philadelphia, but although the situation as regards domestic wool is not as favorable as was hoped for, the outlook for improved conditions is extremely encouraging. While it is true that from various causes scoured wool dropped more than five cents per pound, and is now that much lower than it was at the outbreak of the Spanish war, nevertheless it is still worth ten cents per pound more than its average value during the free wool period, and more than that much above its value today in the free wool markets of the world. This much has been done for the American wool producer by the Dingley tariff act, in spite of the heavy handicap of a three years' supply of free wool.

In spite of the deep concern felt in the navy department over the news of the capture of Lieutenant Gilmore and four other American marines, grounds for hope are found in the fact that the three American soldiers who were captured by Aguinaldo's forces before Manila were not killed, and at last accounts were being treated with consideration. Aguinaldo's well known reputation for feathering his own nest leads to the belief that he will prefer to listen to overtures for the purchase of the freedom of the Americans. The President has at his disposal \$3,000,000 for extraordinary expenses, and some of this money can be used for ransoming Gilmore and his companions if they are still alive. According to a recent dispatch from Washington, the suggestion has been already made that the efforts of Admiral Dewey to effect the release of the captured men may pave the way for overtures for peace from Aguinaldo.

The settlement of a question of great delicacy concerning the Samoan commission will doubtless cause the relief and satisfaction throughout the country justified by its importance. The question involved was: To what military salute was the commission entitled which was intrusted with diplomatic duties. The commissioners are certainly not ambassadors or ministers, and could not receive the salutes prescribed for such officers. It was equally plain that although they will supersede the consular representatives of the three powers in administrative matters, they are not consuls and therefore could not be saluted as such; it was likewise apparent that in succeeding to sovereign authority in a land governed by a king, they were not entitled to the salute of twenty-one guns prescribed for the President of the United States and foreign monarchs. After going through the entire list of salutes presented by the United States naval regulation, it was decided that as the commission was going to Samoa to gov-

ern the island, its members were certainly governors and should receive the salute of fifteen guns prescribed for a governor of a state of the Union. Unembarrassed by further anxieties concerning the proper honors which they should receive, the commissioners may now assume the administrative and diplomatic duties connected with the settlement of the political situation in Samoa.

## OUR FLAG IN CUBA.

George Kennan is watching the development of the American spirit in Cuba and giving his impressions to the people of the United States through the columns of The Outlook. Mr. Kennan notes a surprising development of patriotism and other American traits in Santiago. The Cuban bootblacks proclaim their profession in the exact tone that one hears on Broadway in New York, and street urchins go about whistling our army bugle calls and our popular airs. Since American notions began to take hold, the number of free schools in Santiago has increased from one to nineteen. There are 1,922 pupils, and accommodations are to be provided as soon as possible for 1,500 more. Most significant, however, is the growing habit of saluting the American flag. This is Mr. Kennan's description:

"I happened, a night or two ago, just before sunset, to be standing on the edge of the parade ground in front of the Fifth infantry barracks when 'Retreat' was sounded and the national colors were slowly lowered to the music of 'The Star Spangled Banner.' A large number of dirty, ragged street urchins, of all ages, sizes and complexions, had assembled to watch the drill and dress parade. The instant that the band struck up 'The Star Spangled Banner' and the flag began to descend slowly from its staff every boy who wore a hat or cap promptly took it off and stood bareheaded in respectful silence until the ceremony ended. I don't know what they thought or how much they understood, but I am told that they began this practice months ago of their own accord, when they first noticed that American bystanders followed it, and that they have strictly observed it ever since."

Advocates of enforced Cuban independence may notice how much more is to be read in these days about the Stars and Stripes and how little about the Cuban flag.

## TO BE OR NOT TO BE.

This Old Question has to be Answered Candidly by Massillon People.

What do the people of Massillon think of the statement published below? Can any citizen ask for more convincing proof of the merits claimed by the article under discussion? What is the lacking in such evidence? The most superficial investigation will corroborate it. It is Massillon proof for Massillon people. It is not the style of proof other medicinal preparations offer—viz., Kalamazoo, Mich. proof for Massillon people. The most exacting cannot wish for anything more. Read this. Mr. Wm. Strobel, of 58 Duncan St., agent for Adams Express Co. for over twenty years, says: "I was in my office many a day when I should have been at home in bed. I had a gripe and stuck it out in the office; after that I was troubled for one and a half or two years with my kidneys so that at times I have lain down on my bunk, not being able to keep on my feet. Things looked somewhat serious, for I suffered with a dull pain across the small of my back when I sat for any length of time, or when getting up or down or bending over. I am not a great band to take medicine but I have tried a number of them. Nothing ever did me much good until I got Doan's Kidney Pills. I was suffering severely one day and stepped into Raitzky's drug store and got them. They gave relief in a short time and I was quite free from that miserable feeling. My back is stronger than it was. I was so satisfied with the result that I advised every one to give them a trial, honestly feeling that they would do them good."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name DOAN'S, and take no substitute.

By allowing the accumulations in the bowels to remain, the entire system is poisoned. DeWitt's Little Early Risers regulate the bowels. Try them and you will always use them. Rider & Snyder.

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Foley's Honey and Tar gives quick and positive relief. It is the great remedy for diseases of the respiratory organs like asthma, bronchitis and hoarseness. Rider & Snyder.

People who have taken DeWitt's Little Early Risers will never have anything else. They are the "famous little pills" for torpid liver and all irregularities of the system. Rider & Snyder.

A Life for 50c.

Many people have been cured of kidney diseases by taking a 50c bottle of Foley's Kidney Cure. Rider & Snyder.

It makes no difference how bad the wound if you use DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, it will quickly heal and leave no scar. Rider & Snyder.

Lingering La Grippe Cough Cured.

Mr. G. Vacher, 157 Osgood St., Chicago. My wife had a severe case of la grippe three years ago and it left her with a very bad cough. She tried a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar and it gave immediate relief. A 50c bottle cured her cough entirely. Now we are never without a bottle of this wonderful cough medicine in the house. 25 and 50 cents. Rider & Snyder.

If you suffer from tenderness or fullness on the right side, pains under shoulder blade, constipation, biliousness, sick headache, and feel dull, heavy and sleepy, your liver is torpid and congested. DeWitt's Little Early Risers will cure you promptly, pleasantly and permanently by removing the congestion and causing the bile ducts to open and flow naturally. They are good pills. Rider & Snyder.

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## GLORIES OF THE UNIVERSE

By Tuning Our Ears to Nature's Voice We Learn to Exercise Our Highest Thoughts and Choke Out All the Bad Ones.

"Let there be many windows to your soul. That all the glory of the universe May beautify it. Not the narrow pane of one poor creed can catch the radiant rays That shine from countless sources. Tear away

The blinds of superstition; let the light Pour through fair windows broad as Truth itself And high as God.

"Why should the spirit peer Through some priest-curtained office, and grope Along dim corridors of doubt, when all The splendor from unfathomed seas of space Might bathe it with the golden waves of Love."

Sweep up the debris of denying faith; Sweep down the cobwebs of worn-out beliefs. And throw your soul wide open to the light Of Reason and of knowledge. Tune your ear To all the worldless music of the stars And to the voice of Nature, and your heart Shall turn to truth and goodness, as the plant

Turns to the sun. A thousand unseen hands Reach down to help you to their peace-crowned heights.

And all the forces of the firmament Shall fortify your strength. Be not afraid To thrust aside half-truths and grasp the whole."

When this poem was first written several years ago by a then rising young poetess of Milwaukee, Wis., it was entitled "Progress," but it has been rechristened and now hangs embossed and in a gilded frame of my memory as "The New Creed." What can be more edifying or more beautiful than the cultivation of the knowledge of the "glories of the universe?" Surely they are diverse enough to be filtered through "many windows" of many hues; in fact, the utmost capacity of all the senses may be employed. It has been asserted that poetry, painting and music are one gift, or are the outcome of one divine longing for expression. To these we might add many others, as there is an inborn desire in every human being to create and give expression to thoughts sublime of some kind, and knowledge of them must come through diverse channels. "Not the narrow pane of one poor creed can catch the radiant rays that shine from countless sources." We must be broad-minded and liberal, capable of grasping the good in everything and everybody, and thus by constantly exercising these higher, nobler thoughts, choke out all the bad ones, and "a thousand unseen hands reach down to help us!"

"Tune your ear to all the wordless music of the stars and to the voice of Nature!" Of all the seasons of the year this present is the one when hope should more, perhaps, than at any other, make the arm strong, the heart light, the head clear and the future look promising. Learn to invoke the spirit of laughter and song from the heart of Nature, and call forth a melody of sweet sounds from things which are mute to other imaginations.

Behold the child with roses in its cheek, laughter upon its lips and song in its heart, upon the horizon of whose eyes and mind not a single care or evil thought occurs to mar the natural happiness—and read a sermon therein! Let those who will "peer through priest-curtained office." There are grander thoughts and expressions all about and surrounding us constantly, reaching down to help us to their "peace-crowned heights." It is evidenced in the garden beds where daffodils and buttercups are hiding heads of gold; on the slender spires of hyacinthine bells; where the pausy rises, smiling, from the dead, and blooms; where chaliced heads of lilies of the valley droop; where violets blink; where tulips glow.

There is Easter music on every wind that blows, a symphony of soft winds; a "gloria" in the air and "Te Deums" everywhere. The Germans say that where they sing, there may you safely rest, and that the devil nates music of any kind. We can imagine that his satanic highness, from what we hear of him, will have no rose gardens, no shady bowers, no singing choirs or scolding orchestras. They all stand for something higher, grander, nobler, than what he is made to represent.

You will all remember the story told by a recent lecturer, of a young girl who was walking out one beautiful spring day with her mother. The robins were just commencing their migrations, and the young girl, full of life and happiness, seeing one for the first time, said: "Oh! mother, see—the first robin of the spring!" "Yes," said the mother, in a complaining and unnatural voice, "I have just been thinking how tired we would be of them before another month." A very narrow pane, indeed, that illuminates such a soul!

We invite you to a healthy, happy enjoyment of all these wonder-working things. Even the snail feels the throb of life at springtide, when the jonquils and violets have been wooed from their winter sleep by the soft whisperings of the warm south winds, which bear upon their pinions news of the coming resurrection for all bloom and verdure. The hardy and sturdy little flowers have roused themselves and defy the uncertainties of April weather, proclaiming that the snow and ice and freezing air (the evils of life) have not killed beauty and fragrance (the loves and friendships of individuals—the brotherhood of man—the courage that springs from hope and trust) from the earth; and that the time of bloom and life and the increase yielded by the

roses to the gentle breezes of summer is not far away.

The peach trees will soon be turning a marvelous pink; the spotless white of the dogwood will spangle the forests and the jasmine will fill the air along the hill-sides. The leaves that shuddered and shriveled and drifted down, to be swept into brown and rustling drifts by the chilling blasts of November—like sordid regrets of the past—have disappeared.

The few withered ones that have clung so bravely through the pelting snows and shrieking blasts of winter, to the limb on which they fluttered green and glorious last summer, will soon be pushed off at last to make room for the leaves of the coming summer—like faithful old men and women who sometimes hold to their places and duties, through darkness and tumult, to be thrust aside by a new generation as brighter and better days begin to shine.

The sorrows and sins; the lost opportunities and faded and withered hopes of last summer; the grief and darkness and mournful days of last winter have gone with the leaves that fell and have been blown away and beaten to pieces. Another spring, all glorious and beautiful, the long shining days of a new summer are before us; new opportunities and hopes will bloom day by day with the putting forth of new leaves on the old trees, the budding and blossoming of the flowers. Each day will be ours as it passes; each morning as we throw open our casement to the dawn's glad surprise—which loses none of its freshness from year to year—it is ours to live, to start anew as though time were not, except for this day; but ours no more, except in memory, after it has passed.

The lesson is as old as the changing of the seasons, but many there are who will not read this most beautiful and eloquent of messages, in the oldest and greatest of all books—the book that the Creator has spread before us in the infinite firmament, too wide and high for comprehension; in the things all about us, too minute and delicate for our understanding—the great book of nature—challenging our searching and wonder continually; teaching us constantly; providing us with new wisdom and unfolding to us new beauty hour by hour.

Instead of singing of the "days gone by" why not change the wording for the days of the present? The apples are just as rich and mellow, as fragrant and juicy. The pathways wind through the grain and the birds sing just as sweetly. The clover throws off the same perfume and the blue of the sky has not paled, but the trouble with most of us is that we allow our hearts to grow old and become choked with briars and weeds until we do not look upon these things as we did when our "happy hearts brimmed over, in the days gone by."

"O! the days gone by! O! the days gone by! The apples in the orchard, and the pathway through the rye; The chirrup of the robin, and the whistle of the mail As he pined across the meadows sweet as any nightingale; When the bloom was on the clover, and the blue was in the sky. And my heart brimmed over, in the days gone by."

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## CLAIMED SHE NODDED.

Mrs. George Accused of Coaching Witnesses.

## THE STATEMENT STRICKEN OUT.

Court Would Not Allow the Prosecutor's Allegation to Stand—Witness Testified to Seeing a Man in Woman's Apparel on Way From Place of Murder.

CANTON, April 21.—The defense for Mrs. George put on the stand a witness who testified that she saw a man in a long black mackintosh and cape, wearing a white sailor hat, passing her house, which is one of the routes from the Althouse home to the center of the city, soon after the shooting of Saxton.

This evidence was intended to corroborate a witness who testified Wednesday that a "man in black" was seen approaching the Althouse home.

Newton George, the 17 year old son of the accused, testified as to the intimate relations between his mother and Saxton. Quite a number of court records were introduced in evidence.

There was a sensation in court when Prosecutor Pomerene stated that the accused was shaking her head at the witness on the stand. The witness on the stand at the time was former Justice of the Peace Frank Darr. Mr. Pomerene said the witness was looking directly at the accused, and she at him; that as his testimony proceeded she continued to shake her head at him. This was a continuation of her conduct yesterday, and he wanted such conduct ended.

This statement brought Mr. Welty to his feet with a vigorous protest, and a demand that objections to the statement be entered on the record of the case. The court said the statement might be stricken from the record.

There was a little controversy about the depositions taken from the court files and claimed to be in the possession of the defense. The judge ordered the state to follow the code to get them, if wanted. Mr. Welty announced that they had subpoenaed Mrs. M. C. Barber, as administratrix of the estate of Saxton, to appear in court with certain papers and letters, including letters exchanged between Saxton and Mrs. George, but that she was ill.

Mr. Grant said he had understood from the other side that the matter had been arranged, and had made no recent inquiries as to Mrs. Barber's condition. Mr. Welty said it could be regarded as arranged if the state admitted that the letters and papers had been destroyed, but Mr. Grant said he knew nothing of the condition of Mr. Saxton's private papers, and was not prepared to make any such admission. He thought Austin Lynch, attorney for the estate, the proper person to speak on the subject at issue.

"Then we must insist on the attendance of Mrs. Barber," said Mr. Welty. Mrs. Barber's physician filed a certificate to the effect that she was unable to appear. The defense asked for an order to take her deposition. The court said this would be allowed if the regular form was followed and the affidavit on expected testimony showed it to be competent.

Dr. J. C. Eymann of Cleveland was put on the stand as an expert on the effect of opium and morphine on behalf of the defense. He said one of the first results of the habit is the loss of honor and truthfulness and the subject retains little or no principle. Those having the habit will resort to any means or device to procure the drug.

Witness named a number of medical authors in support of his views. On cross-examination he said, of the total number of insane cases, those due to the opium habit constitute a small minority. Hallucination, he said, would probably come before the loss of material impairment of the faculties. Unreliability, however, he regards as one of the very first stages of the disease.

On re-direct examination witness said he had under his charge 1,050 insane patients, and that 50 or 100 of them became insane from the use of opium.

Alva Whipple, P. E. Mook and Mrs. Mook testified to the darkness of the night of the murder. W. B. Dewees, Mrs. Maud Randall and Jos. A. Lepport testified to burrs growing along the sidewalk next to the house where Mrs. George roomed.

Thomas Shephard, the former janitor, was recalled and testified to having heard Saxton say he would kick Mrs. George out of the block if she did not stay out.

S. S. Kaufman, cashier of the City National bank, testified to issuing drafts to Saxton to the amount of about \$500, which were cashed in South Dakota either by Mrs. George or others for her. James Haddell, night clerk at the Hotel Federal, Allegheny, testified that Saxton and Mrs. George registered as C. D. Smith and wife of Toledo March 24, 1896.

Mrs. Lizzie Miller testified that on the night of Oct. 7 she saw passing her home in Linden avenue a man with a long black coat and cape. She did not know him. Linden avenue is a possible route to the city from the Althouse place. Mrs. Miller's description of the man tallied very closely with that ascribed to Mrs. George by other witnesses. The witness claimed to have seen the movements of this man's body very distinctly at a distance of 100 feet, although she said it was dark and drizzling.

Attorney W. O. Mertz, recalled, further testified to the loss of several letters from Saxton to Mrs. George in which terms of affection were used and in which Mrs. George's ownership of the goods in dispute was acknowledged. The published copies of the letters were admitted.

Newton George told of the two occasions he had lived in the Saxton block, first with his father and mother and again with his mother alone. He said Saxton was often in the rooms during both times that they lived in the Saxton block. Saxton sent the children to bed, gave them presents and often gave Mrs. George candy and flowers. He also said he had seen his mother on Saxton's lap a number of times.

Bloody Highbinder War.

FRESNO, Cal., April 21.—A bloody highbinder war broke out in Chinatown, and as a result three Mongolians were in the morgue, two more were at the county hospital, mortally wounded, and nine were behind the bars in the county jail.



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# STORIES OF HEROISM

## PHILIPPINE WARFARE AS SEEN FROM THE RANKS.

**Our Victories as Viewed by a Pennsylvania Volunteer—Treachery and Ignorance of the Natives—How the Revolt Was Planned.**

(Special Correspondence.)  
MANILA, March 18.—During the last few weeks Manila has witnessed a scene of terror, but the terror has been confined largely to the treacherous natives, who are solely responsible for the troubled state of affairs in the city and on these islands. In every case the insurgents and their allies have suffered for their devilry, and while their sub-



FALSE FLAG OF TRUCE.

jection, so far as it has already been accomplished, has been bought at the cost of the blood of American soldiery it is certain that the honor and integrity of our nation have been upheld by the utmost valor of our soldiery.

At every point our victories against the overwhelming insurgent hordes have been complete. The signal victories won by our army in the opening days of the fight have been followed by others just as brilliant. Our soldiery has shown the ignorant, superstitious and fanatical Filipinos some new points in the art of warfare, and while we are showing them the way to liberty by a hard route it has been rendered necessary, for the conflict is one of their own making.

For a long time prior to the outbreak it had been evident that the natives intended to resist our rule. Both within and without the city the insurgents had been organizing and arming. Under Spanish rule it was almost impossible for them to effect any organization within the city. The Spanish secret service had the city under perfect control, and any suspicious act on the part of the natives was certain to land them in prison, perhaps the Luneta. Our soldiers, not being fully acquainted with the language, have been working under many disadvantages, but lately we have established an efficient secret service. A large number of Spanish soldiers and officers, about 300 trustworthy natives and a number of Chinese are now in the employ of our secret department, and our leaders are kept fully advised of the moves of the insurgents and their allies.

Some time before the outbreak came our officials had full information. According to the insurgent plans, there was to be an uprising both within and without the city, but in most cases where an uprising was planned the schemes miscarried. The outbreak was precipitated prematurely by the trouble out at the Nebraska camp. According to the plans of the natives the uprising was to take place three days after it really came. The precipitation of the outbreak broke the force somewhat and made things easier for our forces. The insurgents were not fully prepared for the outbreak, and in consequence the insurgent allies in the city failed.

Ever since our occupation of Manila there has been great activity among the insurgents, and our authorities have done little to frustrate their secret work. Within the city the Catapunan society and the Filipino Social club have been arming the natives and secret meetings have been held all over the city. Insurgent officers and soldiers have been allowed to enter and leave the city at will, and in every part of the town insurgent recruiting offices have been openly conducted. Arms and ammunition have been collected in all sections. The insurgent leaders have openly conducted the recruiting and arming of their forces and, all along, have openly shown their hostility to our occupation. When we look back over the time which has elapsed since our occupation, it is seen that from the very hour of our coming a conflict with the insurgent hordes has been unavoidable. What would have been an easy matter six months ago has today resolved itself into a troublesome question.

It seems sheer ignorance on the part of the insurgents to have attempted to make any stand against our army. For many years the Spaniards succeeded in holding the natives well in hand, and our easy conquest of the Spaniards naturally gave us a superiority over them and indicated that we were better capable of taking care of the insurgents than the former rulers of these islands. But the natives did not look at the matter in that light. To the insurgent leaders our occupation meant the loss of position and influence. Consequently they have all along made superhuman efforts to rally their dusky countrymen for a stand against the Americans. The ignorant and fanatical natives have readily been made to believe the most unreasonable things. Aguinaldo has taught his people that he is invulnerable and that he cannot be killed by a bullet. The interior tribes, who fight with bows and arrows, spears

and shields, have been induced to join the insurgents, and nothing has been left undone by the leaders to make a great fight against our army, but all these efforts have been unavailing. About Manila the insurgent army num-

bered not less than 100,000 men, but even these overwhelming numbers were unable to accomplish anything. The unequal struggle cannot be long maintained. With the arrival of fresh troops our army will sweep the islands. The natives are most inhuman in their modes of warfare; hence it has been found necessary for our army to resort to harsh methods in dealing with them. They murder all prisoners, fire on our ambulance wagons and under cover of the white flag attempt to decoy our soldiery within range and then shoot them down. Other treacherous methods are employed, but in spite of all the insurgents have been effectually beaten at every point. They fight with the desperation of a forlorn hope, and as fast as one native falls there is another to take his gun and resume the fight. Their aim, however, is bad. They cannot shoot, and hence our advances under fire have been made without any great losses, while thousands of the fleeing insurgents have been killed and wounded.

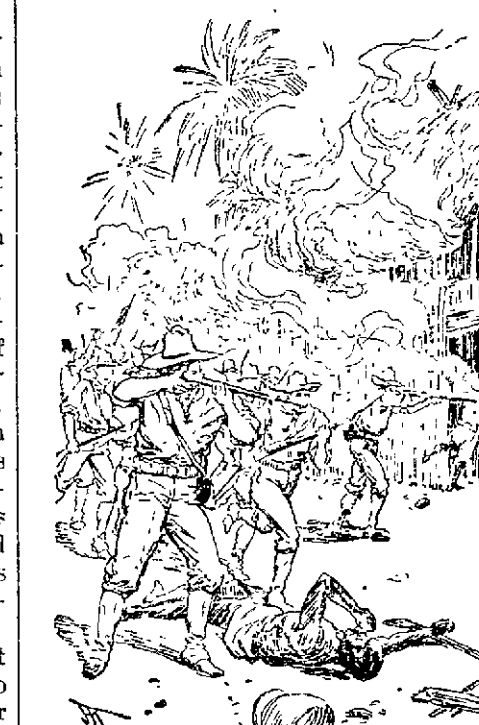
Following up the victories gained during the first few days of the fight, our army has succeeded in beating the insurgents at every point. The bombardment and capture of Colocan were brilliant achievements. Colocan is located on the line of the Manila and Dagupan railroad, three miles from Manila, and here are situated the machine shops, car shops and general offices of the road. After the first day's fight the insurgents before New Manila massed at Colocan and fortified that position strongly. Strong re-enforcements were sent down from Malolo and the insurgents prepared for a stand. For several days Colocan was shelled by the guns of our fleet and by the land batteries. Finally, on the afternoon of Friday, Feb. 10, there was a final bombardment. The Monterey threw great 12 inch shells into the insurgent positions, and the Charleston, Callao and Dewey joined in the bombardment, while 14 guns of the Utah artillery and three guns of the Sixth United States artillery did effective work. The bombardment was followed up by a magnificent charge by the Third United States artillery, armed as infantry; First Idaho, First Montana, and Twentieth Kansas. The insurgents fled, and the American flag was hoisted over the town.

There has been severe fighting beyond the Santolan water station, and General King's brigade before Old Manila has been fighting every day since the outbreak occurred. In all directions the country has been desolated by fire. The natives have sought refuge within the insurgent lines and are starving. No native is allowed to leave or enter Manila. Within the city the natives are constantly on the alert for an opportunity to make an outbreak.

During the last few days the insurgents have made numerous attempts to burn the city, and in some sections great damage has been done. The fires are started with the idea of drawing the soldiers to them, so that an opportunity for an outbreak will be presented in some other district. In this the natives have thus far failed, but it is not safe to appear on the streets at night, for the treacherous insurgents are hidden, ready to murder.

There has been some hot fighting in Tondo during the last few days. Several days ago a body of insurgents slipped past our lines by coming down the beach and through the canals when the tide was out. They secreted themselves in Tondo, and were there discovered by our men. There was a hot fight, in which over 50 natives were killed and over 300 were captured. Tondo and Sampaloc, tough native districts, have since been fired by our men. They were towns built of bamboo and were quickly blotted out.

In all the fighting since the outbreak the heroism of our men and officers has been superlative. At every opportunity they alike distinguished themselves. Already we have lost quite heavily, and a number of brave officers are num-



MAGNIFICENT CHARGE.

bered among our dead. Others have fallen, wounded while leading their men on to victory. When the personal incidents of this struggle shall be written, there will be many stories of individual heroism told to the world. There are as yet here in our Philippine army many heroes unknown to fame.

There is much speculation in the army as to the probable effect of the coming of the commissioners, but all are united in the demand that henceforth these islands shall be retained as American territory. Now that they have, for the second time within a few months, been consecrated by the blood of our soldiery, all possibilities of their being turned over to the Filipino savages have been dispelled.

WILLIAM GILBERT IRWIN.

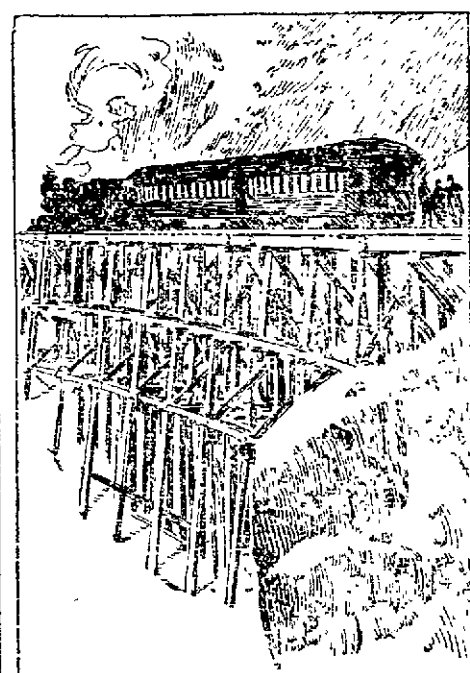
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# WHITE PASS SUMMIT.

## OPENING OF THE RAILROAD UP THE STEEP MOUNTAIN TRAIL.

**A Marvelous Feat of Engineering, Bridging Chasms and Laying Tracks Mid Ice and Snow—Protection Against Avalanches.**

(Special Correspondence.)  
SKAGWAY, Alaska, March 22.—Engineering skill has at last conquered the terrible White Pass and nullified its dangers and difficulties. Over its snow-clad and frowning summit now run in safety the trains of the White Pass and Yukon railroad, which was recently com-



TRESTLE ON WHITE PASS ROAD.

pleted and opened to the public to a point 25 miles from this place. The occasion of the formal opening of the road was one of great rejoicing, not only in Skagway, but throughout this section of Alaska, and well it might be, since it marked the consummation of one of the most difficult feats of engineering skill and most hazardous of enterprises in this land, where daring deeds are the daily tasks of thousands, and where difficulties unknown in other lands are encountered at every step. It was the first holiday in Skagway and was celebrated with a great hurrah, in which everybody, regardless of race, color, creed or politics, enthusiastically participated.

On the day the road was opened for traffic the officials ran an excursion up the pass to the summit, inviting the mayor of the town, the common council, prominent American and Canadian citizens and newspaper correspondents. There was a banquet given by the railroad people on the summit, in which participated the 100 invited guests who had been conveyed up the mountain side in two hours, which formerly took the strongest man two months to climb. American and Canadian officials fraternized, everybody had only good things to say about everybody else, and all hands sang praises to the enterprise of the White Pass and Yukon railroad.

When the building of a railroad to the summit of White Pass was first proposed, the idea was ridiculed. "It is impossible," said the skeptics. There are perhaps other railroads—notably in the Rocky mountains, the Sierras and in South America—where bridges have been thrown across wider and deeper chasms and where there are longer tunnels, but nowhere in railroad construction have the physical and climatic conditions been apparently more insurmountable. Here was built a railroad midst snow and ice up the side of a mountain until an altitude of 2,883 feet was reached, through a pass noted for its blizzards and where a temperature of 32 degrees below zero is warm, and bridging wide crevasses in the glaciers and gorges of the mountain rocks whose depth almost defied the eye to penetrate. The danger from avalanches, which sometimes sweep down the mountain side with terrific force, carrying to destruction all before them, was one of the most difficult problems to be solved. The railroad people believe they have absolutely protected their line from the possibility of disaster from this cause. No chances have been taken, and the most remote cause of attack from snowslides in that narrow trail, where surprises are most sudden and most destructive, have been provided against. Altogether it is a marvelous piece of engineering, and its safety and stability seem assured.

The opening of this road makes Skagway the real gateway to the goldfields of the Klondike and the upper Yukon, whose resources have been by no means exhausted. Indeed it is believed that not a tithe of the vast mineral wealth of these sections has yet been taken out. Steamers from Seattle, Portland and San Francisco come regularly to this port, and the gold seeker will now find it easy to get over the hitherto most difficult part of the trip to Dawson. Now he can ride in a comfortable car and have his supplies transported, instead of toiling slowly and painfully, amid snow and ice, up the steep mountain trail, where hundreds of people have perished from fatigue and cold.

People who have no personal knowledge of this country can have but a dim conception of what this railroad means to the miners and indeed to all the people of Alaska. It means not only safety, speed and comfort to the individual traveler, but that the man of moderate means can now take with him an abundance of supplies at reasonable cost. It means that there can be no

such thing as famine in the goldfields, for the merchants and traders can now take in supplies the year around.

The road is already doing a thriving business in both passenger and freight traffic. The trains usually consist of three cars, and but one trip is made each day to the summit. Surveys and other preliminary work for an extension are well under way, it being the purpose of the White Pass and Yukon company to push forward vigorously its line into the heart of the gold country.

LOX WEATHERY.

# FOR THE SUPREME COURT.

## Friends of Judge I. H. Taylor Working Up a Boom.

A special from Canton to the Cleveland Plain Dealer says: "It is more than probable that Judge I. H. Taylor, of Carrollton, who is presiding at the George murder trial, will become a candidate for judge of the supreme court on the Republican ticket. Since the George trial has been on friends of the judge have been quietly working up a boom for him and it is likely it will be launched very shortly. Judge Taylor was asked by a Plain Dealer representative if he would be a candidate this fall for the supreme bench. He said: 'I have not yet thought of announcing myself as a candidate for the supreme bench, although I appreciate the high honor of the position. I understand my friends have been working up a boom for me, but I can't say it has been with my consent. Yet, indeed, I appreciate what an honor it is to be on the supreme bench.'"

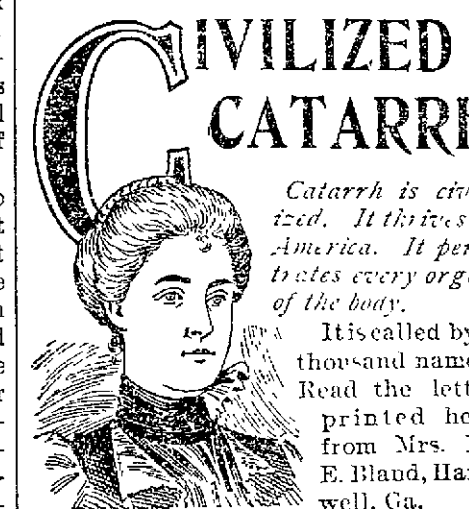
# MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS.

## Affairs of The Independent Company in a Healthy Condition.

At a meeting of the stockholders of The Independent Company, on Thursday afternoon, the following board of directors was elected for the ensuing year: H. C. Browne, president; E. F. Bahney, vice president; G. C. Haverstack, secretary; Prof. E. A. Jones, F. H. Snyder, R. P. Skinner and Eugene Anderson. The annual report of the business manager showed the affairs of the company to be in a healthy condition, and the usual five per cent dividend was declared. At a subsequent meeting of the board of directors, G. C. Haverstack and Eugene Anderson were re-elected manager and editor, respectively, for the coming year.

# Crop Bulletin.

According to the bulletin issued by the United States department of agriculture for the week ending April 17, the weather has been very favorable for farm work, and it is being pushed very fast. In the extreme northeastern part of the state, but little farm work has been done, but in most sections corn, oats and barley ground is being plowed and oats and barley are being sown. Grape vines and berry canes are found to be considerably frozen in many sections. It is thought that strawberry plants are in good condition. Pastures are starting slowly, and there is little feed as yet. The season has been very favorable for maple sugar making. The general report is that the wheat outlook has been much improved during the warm weather, and that the fields are growing green very fast, particularly on early sown, well fertilized ground.



Pe-ru-na Medicine Co., Columbus, O.

DEAR SIR:—"I trust no one will think from this that I would wish my name in public for any cause only to let sufferers know where they may find relief from many pains. I can truly say I have been much benefited by the use of Pe-ru-na. I feel better than I have for years. I have suffered for years of chronic catarrh, bronchitis, asthma and female trouble, of which I have been much helped by Pe-ru-na. I know the virtue of Pe-ru-na. If for no other reason it would pay to keep it for colds. It keeps off colds, it prevents grippe, and builds up the nerves. I gladly recommend it to all as the cheapest and best medicine."

Mrs. Bland suffered from diseased membranes; nearly every organ of the body was affected. Pe-ru-na cured her by making the membranes healthy. Dr. Hartman's books on catarrhal diseases are easily understood and scientifically exact. Write for them. Special book for women. These books are free. Dr. Hartman will prescribe for fifty thousand women this year free of charge.

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# Drink Grain-O

After you have concluded that you ought not to drink coffee. It is not a medicine, but doctors order it because it is healthful, invigorating and appetizing. It is made from pure grains and has that rich seal brown color and tastes like the finest grades of coffee, and costs about one-fourth as much. Children like it and thrive on it because it is a genuine food drink, containing nothing but nourishment. Ask your grocer for Grain-O, the new food drink. 15 and 25c.

The little folks love Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. Pleasant to take; perfectly harmless; positive cure for coughs, colds, bronchitis, asthma.

J. D. Bridge, editor and proprietor of the Democrat, Lancaster, N. H., says: "I would not be without One Minute Cough Cure for my boy, when troubled with a cough or cold. It is the best remedy for croup I ever used." Rider & Snyder.

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PAPER HANGERS—Three good first class paper hangers at City Wall Paper and Paint Store, No. 9 N. Erie street.

POSITION—A woman with a child 11 months old, wishes a position as housekeeper. Address Mrs. Henry Eisach, Crystal Spring, O.

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### FOR RENT.

FOUR roomed house on Guide street. Possession given May 1st. Inquire of E. F. Bahney.

FOUR roomed house on Cherry street, near depot. Inquire of Andrew Paul, 114 N. Cherry St.

FOUR roomed house on Canal street, close to glass factory. Inquire at 121 Canal St.

FOUR roomed house with small barn. No. 2 N. Erie St. Inquire J. F. Hess. Possession given April 1st.

HOUSE of six rooms and summer kitchen. Well and modern water. No. 14 West Tremont St. Inquire at 121 Canal St.

HOUSE—A five roomed house on Chester street, near Erie city and old water Inquire at Newer Bros. piano factory, North Erie street.

HALL on third floor of Marsh block for many years. Inquire at the Odd Fellows. The furniture is arranged for also. Inquire of W. E. Humberger or E. J. Baidwin.

ROOM—Barn for sale with price, 1000. Inquire at 15 N. Main St.

ROOM—Newly furnished front room at 15 N. Main St. Inquire at 15 N. Main St.

ROOM—Sweet water in a rear part of Willson, address 15 N. Main St.

SIX roomed house with modern and city water. Inquire at 15 N. Main St.

STOREHOUSE—On Canal street. Inquire of Frank's at 15 N. Main St.

TWO other rooms in a block on instance. Inquire at 15 N. Main St.

### FOR SALE.

LUMBER—Seven or eight dressed sliding, four hundred feet, 1000 ft. long, four doors and frames. A good new. Can be bought at a large discount at E. A. Hedrick's fruit store.

PROPERTY—James E. Baidwin property in East Main street, 100 ft. by 75 feet. Good place for business. Inquire of E. G. Willson, Administration.

SEVEN roomed house, 100 ft. by 75 feet. East Main street. Inquire of Mrs. Michael Rister at premises.

SPLIT FENCE POSTS—A large quantity of oak, also three-quarter section. Inquire of John B. Snyder, 21 North Main St.

WAGON—A good top of heavy wagon, with pole and shafts. Price reasonable. Call or address E. M. at 15 N. East Main street.

### For Sale or Exchange.

TWENTY-TWO ACRES—In city of Massillon, Ohio, two good farms, one with building. Will sell at a low price. Inquire of John B. Snyder, 21 North Main St.

### FOUND.

DOG—Owner can have same by proving it and paying for keeping at 15 N. Main St. Address David A. Benzenman, Massillon.

# HUMBERGERS.

## Keeping in Touch.

We keep in touch with the markets. We keep in touch with the styles. We keep in touch with our public by a careful study of their wants. We want you to have the newest and the best, and we don't want you to pay one cent more than it is actually worth. Our constant strife is to improve qualities and crowd down prices to their lowest legitimate level. Spring is here and trade activity increases. You may be looking for carpets—our range of prices from 12c to \$2.00 a yard, offer you a great selection. Lace Curtains may be on your mind, we can help you out as to price and all the beautiful new designs. Women's suits—made by men tailors from \$5.00 to \$25.00. We can fit you.

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# HUMBERGERS'.

Warwick Block, Massillon.

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Bright new goods, tasty so delicious, fashion's new, and the quality of the best an expert, experienced, artistic milliner and most moderate charges—a. these factors have created a tremendous rush of business.

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## The V-ry Latest New York Styles just put on sale, including the "Rough Rider" Sailor. See it.

## Sailor Hats, good ones, at 25-49-65 75c, \$1 and up.

A line of the choicest LEGHORNS ever offered, and many other shapes. There will be no after regrets if, before ordering this season's hats, you visit our store. Another thought: We guarantee our trimming to stay together—it's made that way.

# C. W. ZIMMERMAN,

## Modern Milliner,

Cor. Erie & Tremont, Opp. Hotel Sailer, MASSILLON.



## LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Discovered this Week by Independent Investigators.

A pension of \$14 has been granted to Johnson E. Clark, of this city.

E. J. McBride will give a recital at the Armory during the last week in May.

A Bell telephone has been placed in the office of Conrad, Dangler and Brown. Call 132.

A Bell telephone, No. 152, has been placed in the residence of Dr. C. H. Beight, in West Main street.

Joseph Hug, who has been very ill at his Wellman street home for some time past, is very much better today.

Cameron Miller, immigrant inspector at St. Johns, Canada, has arrived in Massillon to spend a vacation of ten days.

On account of the illness of Miss Millie Kiehl, the millinery store of D. Kiehl & Co., in Canal street, is in charge of Mrs. D. Kiehl.

SIXTY new books have been purchased for the library at the Charity Rutch school and will be soon placed upon the shelves.

Ernest M. Hall has been appointed an organizer for the Buckeye State Beneficiary Association, and will shortly institute a lodge in this city.

The steamship Spartan Prince, from New York to Naples, on which Dr. A. P. L. P. of this city is a passenger, reached St. Michaels, Azore islands, on April 24.

Judge Boone held an inquest in lunacy on Mary Clark, of Leetonia, Monday, and declared her insane. Application has been made for her admission to the Massillon asylum.

The local lodge of the Protected Home Circle met in special session Thursday evening to elect thirty-three new members. This society has now a membership of 232 in Massillon.

The postoffice department has ordered the establishment of the rural free delivery service at Shreve, Wayne county. There will be two letter carriers. The service will go into effect May 1.

Word has been received in this city of the death of M. L. DeMarrs at Coraopolis, Pa. The deceased was a member of Massillon Commandery Knights Templars, and was a former resident of this place.

The Fabian Schott property, in Richville avenue, was sold from the court house steps for \$667 to the Massillon Loan and Building Company, this morning. The foreclosure of a mortgage necessitated the sale.

A series of games has been arranged between the Massillon and Canton high school baseball teams. The opening game will be played at Meyer's lake next Saturday. A return game will be played here May 20.

The Morgan Engineering Company, of Alliance, is putting the finishing touches to a large addition to the erecting department of their plant, and will soon begin the construction of a new foundry building 100x200 feet in dimensions.

One of the nearest turnouts seen on Massillon streets for many a day is the new delivery wagon recently purchased by Howard Lucas, of the American Steam Laundry. The wagon was built expressly for Mr. Lucas, by a Chillicothe firm, is a model of neatness and convenience, and especially adapted to the needs of his trade.

The report of Dr. Probst, secretary of the state board of health, who was called to Millersburg to investigate the small-pox cases there, says that only four people are sick with the disease, and that the attacks are very mild. Only one death has been reported. The houses in which the patients are confined are strictly quarantined, and no fears are entertained of the disease spreading. The patients at Fredericksburg are all recovering, but one new case, and that a mild one, being reported.

On Saturday morning Russell & Co. will ship via the W. & L. E. a solid through train of thirty cars, loaded with threshers and traction engines, to their northern Ohio and Michigan general agents at Toledo, O., the Arbuckle-Ryan Company. They have orders for twenty carloads additional, and a second train load may be made up later. The firm has just finished shipment of some seventy-five carloads to their Pacific coast branch house at Portland, Ore. Every evening for the past month bunches of five or more cars loaded down with "Cyclone" threshers and "Russell" traction engines have been seen going out over the different lines, proving the popularity of these goods, the improved condition of business that warrants such large shipments and that the "Cyclone" thresher is no misnomer.

The Massillon camp of the Modern Woodmen of the World instituted at the Trades and Labor Assembly hall, Friday evening, has a membership of thirty-eight. The following officers were elected: W. E. N. Hemperly, counsel commander; William Lowe, adviser; lieutenant, C. J. Duncan; banker, C. E. Wagner; clerk, John S. Lahr; escort, C. L. Hohn; watchman, P. O. Cecil; sentry, Dr. Maurice Smith; physician, C. B. Arthur; S. L. Cochran and Edward Jacoby, managers; W. L. Bechtel, past counsel commander. The charter will not be closed until the first of next month.

Mrs. Robert Guy, residing on the David Lovers farm, northwest of the city, was so badly burned by an explosion of gasoline this morning that she is not expected to recover. Her seventeen-year-old daughter, Isabella Guy, was also burned about the arms and face. Mrs. Guy filed the case of a gasoline stove, leaving uncovered, six feet away, a vessel containing a gallon of the fluid. Then she lighted the stove. The flame ignited the gas arising from the gasoline in the case far distant. Her clothing caught fire. Her daughter came to her assist-

ance, and it was while extinguishing the flames which enveloped her mother that she sustained her injuries. Dr. J. F. Gardner was immediately summoned. He administered an opiate to relieve Mrs. Guy's suffering. Mrs. Guy is burned from head to foot, there being no part of her body which is not affected.

## LIBRARY NOTES.

Colored Bird Plates to be Placed on Exhibition.

## POPULAR BRANCH OF STUDY

The Return of Birds to the Vicinity of Massillon is Expected to Excite an Interest in the Coming Display—A List of Books.

"Where household words are sung in many keys sweeter than instruments of men ere caught;

Whose habitations in the tree tops even are half way houses on the way to heaven. The bluebirds and the robin, piping loud fill all the blossoming orchards with their glee.

The sparrows chirp as if they still were proud their race in Holy Writ should mentioned be."

—Longfellow.

From March until June may be said to be the period that marks the return of the birds in this vicinity, hence it is hoped that the announcement that the public library has received and will have on exhibition next week nearly two hundred and fifty colored plates of birds may be of timely interest to many, both old and young. The pictures will be displayed in the main room of the library and in the children's reading room, and a cordial invitation is extended to all who may be interested to come and inspect them.

Interest in all nature is inherent and universal, and there is perhaps no more popular branch of nature study than that which deals with the observation of our feathered friends. Birds alone, of all the higher animals, are the only ones surrounding us in sufficient quantities to be readily studied and observed, and few other forms of life can possess for us so many and such varied interests. The habit of migration, alone, gives to bird study a unique character, for while the student of botany or entomology must travel if he would see in their native haunts the flowers or insects of other climes, the bird lover may stay at home and receive visits, even from the inhabitants of the tropics and of the Arctic regions.

The books on birds and allied topics, noted in the following list will be shown at the same time, and may be drawn from the library after next week: Blanchau, N.—Bird Neighbors. Blanchau, N.—Birds that Hunt and are Hunted.

Chapman, F. M.—Handbook of Birds of Eastern North America. Chapman, F. M.—Bird Life. Cones, Elliott—Key to North American Birds.

Flagg, Wilson—A Year With the Birds.

Grant, John B.—Our Common Birds and How to Know Them.

Merriam, Florence A.—A Birding on a Bronco.

Merriam, Florence A.—Birds of Village and Field.

Miller, Olive Thorne—Upon the Tree Tops.

Miller, Olive Thorne—A Bird Lover in the West.

Miller, Olive Thorne—Bird Wars.

Miller, Olive Thorne—In Nesting Time.

Miller, Olive Thorne—Little Brothers of the Air.

Scott, Wm. E.—Bird Studies.

Stearns, W. A.—New England Bird Life. Two vols.

Torrey, Bradford—Birds in the Bush.

Wright, M. O. and Cones, Elliott—Citizen Bird.

Wright, Mabel Osgood—Birdcraft.

Chase, Annie—Stories of Birdland. Two vols.

Keyser, L. S.—News From the Birds.

Merriam, Florence A.—Birds Through an Opera Glass.

Burroughs, John—Seaside and Wayside. Vol. 3.

Gibson, W. H.—My Studio Neighbors.

Royal—Natural History. Vols. 3 and 4.

Beard, J. C.—Curious Homes and Their Tenants.

Wood, Rev. J. G.—Homes Without Hands.

Mathews, F. C.—Familiar Life in Field and Forest.

Burroughs, John—Birds and Poets.

Burroughs, John—Wakerobin.

Burroughs, John—Riverby.

Burroughs, John—Fresh Fields.

Burroughs, John—Locusts and Wild Honey.

## Does Coffee Agree With You?

If not, drink Grain-O—made from pure grains. As a lady writes: "The first time I made Grain-O I did not like it, but after using it for one week nothing would induce me to go back to coffee."

It nourishes and feeds the system. The children can drink it freely with great benefit. It is the strengthening substance of pure grains. Get a package today from your grocer, follow the directions in making it, and you will have a delicious and healthful beverage for old and young. 15 and 25c.

## Pains in the Back Cured.

A. B. Farrington, Constantia, N. Y., writes: "I was troubled several years with kidney disease and suffered severe pains in the back. I used Foley's Kidney Cure and one bottle cured me. I recommended it to my friends; it has given perfect satisfaction." Rider & Snyder.

Bodily pain loses its terrors if you have a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil in the house. Instant relief in cases of burns, cuts, sprains, accidents of any sort.

## ALLEGED '97 KISS.

Unpleasant Situation of the Rev. Noah Ernst.

IS SUSPENDED BY CLASSIS.

A Reformed Minister Declared Guilty of Improper Osculatory Indulgence—Trial at Richville Last Week.

NAVARRE, April 24.—"I deny absolutely having kissed the girl, and I always will deny it. I attribute the whole difficulty to jealousy existing among certain young women of the congregation over my son and over the position of organist in the church. There is nothing like a church organ to make trouble, particularly when there is more than one who can play it. I shall appeal the matter to the synod." This was one of the things said in a Saturday evening interview by the Rev. Noah Ansellon Ernst, who has not been pastor of Reformed congregations at Navarre, Richville, Smoketown and Sherman since last week, when an investigating committee found him guilty of having kissed Miss Zelma Snively, in the Sherman church, on the evening of August 18, 1897. Parson Ernst has a wife. He is short, dark and forty, generally considered handsome by the ladies, and usually speaks without sounding his "r's." Miss Snively, who is not yet eighteen, is the daughter of Jacob Snively, a wealthy farmer residing about ten miles southeast of Massillon, near Sherman church, and is the acknowledged belle of the township.

Nobody knows how long Mr. Ernst will be under suspension. His trial, which took up two days of last week, occurred at Richville before a board composed of six ministers from surrounding towns and five elders. Miss Snively's testimony, like that of Mr. Ernst, was a positive denial that there had been any kissing. That of the three Misses Berget, Miss Anderson and Miss Knight, however, was as positively to the effect that there had. It was on the evening that Miss Snively entered the church, they said. Mr. Ernst, after the confirmation, had asked the congregation to come forward and greet the new member. He himself reached her first. Then the kissing occurred. They declared they were nearby and could not have been mistaken.

Mr. Ernst's story is that when he leaned toward Miss Snively, instead of kissing her, he merely whispered a few words in her ear. The young women spoke to others of what they claimed to have seen, and within a week the affair was the sensation of three townships, though, strangely enough, the talk did not reach Mr. Ernst's ears until the latter part of April, 1898. By this time the story had assumed such proportions that the original could no longer be recognized. It seemed as if everybody had added something to it.

One Sunday after service Mr. Ernst was approached by one of his flock who remarked, "Parson, I heard a man say the other day that you ought to be yoked with Mr. ———." The preacher laughed and thought little of the matter at the time, not even asking why. Later, however, it occurred to him that it would do no harm to make a few inquiries concerning the man his friends had named. Then came his awakening. He hurried to the maker of the remark and demanded the name of the person who had said that he ought to be the companion of a man who sinned deliberately, and often it pleased him so to do. Then the church member laughed and said he couldn't exactly remember, but was kind enough to make a strong effort, which was very much like the story of the man who told the sexton and the sexton told the bell.

"Then," said Mr. Ernst, "I demanded an investigation of the matter. I was told that I ought to resign without anything of the kind. This I refused to do. They would say, 'Well, if you are not guilty, why don't you push the matter and prove your innocence?' All the time forgetting that even the criminal whose guilt is palpable is presumed innocent until the contrary has been proven. And that is the way it was all through. Witnesses swore that they saw the kissing. Others swore that they did not, but of course it might have been done when they were not looking. Instead of proving my guilt, I would have proved my innocence. I brought the matter to the attention of the classis, preferring formal charges against certain people, for I wanted an end to the mean, dirty, ugly, devilish things that had been pushed out by this kissing business. This brought on my trial."

Mr. Ernst holds that the classis exceeded its authority in suspending him. Even if proven guilty of kissing a young woman, nowhere can Mr. Ernst find a line which says that the classis is thereby justified in suspending a minister. Asked as to whether it was his intention to quit the pulpit, Mr. Ernst said, "I would not say that, though it may be." Mr. Ernst spent four years studying law, and he admits that there is a possibility of his changing his profession.

## OBITUARY NOTICE.

MRS. ROBERT GUY

Mrs. Robert Guy, who was so horribly burned by an explosion of gasoline Saturday, died Saturday night. Mrs. Guy resided northwest of the city.

## Sick Headaches.

The curse of overworked womanhood, are quickly and surely cured by Karl's Clover Root Tea, the great blood purifier and tissue builder. Money refunded if not satisfactory. Price 25 cts. and 50 cts. For sale by Rider & Snyder.

## The Massillon Market.

The following prices are paid by Massillon merchants today:

GRAIN, HAY, STRAW AND WOOL.	
Wheat	72
Hay, per ton	5 00 to 7 00
Straw, per ton	5 00
Corn	37-38
Oats	27-28
Clover Seed	3 25
Timothy Seed	1 00 to 1 15
Rye, per bu.	40
Barley	40
Flax seed	1 25
Wool	15 to 18

## FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Potatoes, per bushel	50
Onions, per bushel	65
Beets, per bushel	60
Apples	1 00
Cabbage, per dozen	50
Dried peaches, peeled	.08 to .10
Dried peaches, unpeeled	.04 to .05
Evaporated apples	.08 to .10
Onions	65
White beans	1 25

## BUTTER, EGGS AND POULTRY.

Butter	14-16
Eggs	10
Chickens, live	07
Chickens, dressed	08
Turkeys, live	08
Turkeys, dressed	14

## MEATS AND CHEESE.

Sausage	06
Spare Ribs	06
Backbone	06
Ham	09
Shoulder	05
Lard	05 1/2
Sides	.06 to .07
Cheese	11

The following are retail prices:

Bran, per 100 lbs.	85
Middlings, per 100 lbs.	90

New York, April 22.—While the short interest in the market is steadily increasing as a result of continued bear hammering in the Grangers, the ease in money tends to accentuate covering when liquidation is not actually in progress, which gives the bulls a strong lever. Crop news continues to restrict speculation on the bull side of the Grangers, causing Southern shares to come to the front. While it is true for the last few days the public is taking comparatively little interest in stock, and money is growing easier, so the banks do not feel called upon to exercise the severe discrimination against industrial as they did some time ago. It is difficult to forecast the probable course of the market. Bank statement favorable.

BANK STATEMENT.	
Reserve increased	\$ 4,704,375
Loans decreased	7,790,600
Specie decreased	1,581,600
Legals increased	2,103,300
Deposits decreased	4,078,701
Circulation increased	79,700

The following tables show the fluctuations of stock, as reported by T. B. Arnold's exchange:

NEW YORK.				
	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
American Sugar	107 1/2	108 1/2	105 1/2	107 1/2
American Tobacco	22 1/2	23 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
Atchafalca (Pfd.)	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
B. & O.	144 1/2	144 1/2	143 1/2	144 1/2
Federal Steel	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2
General Electric	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2
Lead	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
U. S. Leather (pfd.)	73 1/2	74 1/2	73 1/2	74 1/2
Manhattan	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Missouri Pacific	50 1/2	51 1/2	5 1/2	51 1/2
Louisville & Nashville	68 1/2	69 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2
Northern Pacific (pfd.)	70 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2

CHICAGO, April 22.—Weakness abroad, as reflected through Liverpool cables, caused some heavy realizing in the wheat pit this morning. The slack demand and the unsettled condition of the wheat market caused scattered liquidation in corn. Oats held fairly well. The closing price of wheat was low for the day. Cotton market can be described only as a waiting one, with crop news the star factor.

CHICAGO.				
	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat	78 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2
May	78 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2
July	74 1/2	74 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2
Corn	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2
May	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2
July	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
Oats	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
May	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
July	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
Pork	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
May	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
July	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
Lard	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2
May	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2
July	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2

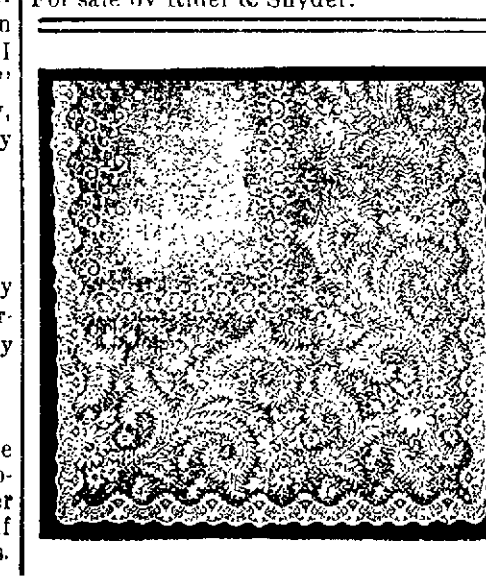
CHICAGO, April 22.—[By Associated Press]—Hogs strong, \$3.75@4.10; cattle steady; beefs, \$4 10@5 75.

TOLEDO, April 19.—[By Associated Press]—Wheat 76 1/2

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From the Evening News, Detroit, Mich.

The well known employe of Detroit, Michigan, Board of Public Works, Joseph B. Myers, living at 177 Fort Street, west, is an important member of the Grand Army of Veterans, and recently had a remarkable experience.

Comrade Myers enlisted at Edinburg, Mo., in 1862, and served during the war in the southwest, and was discharged at St. Louis, Mo., in 1865. He was a member of Co. K, First Missouri Cavalry, 14th A. C. Western army, commanded by General Burnside, and later by Gen. Eads. He participated in the battles of Springfield, Sea's Ford and all the principal battles through Missouri.

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JOSEPH B. MYERS.

Before me personally appeared Mr. Joseph B. Myers, who being duly sworn, declares the foregoing statement to be true in every respect. Signed this 14th day of September, 1897.

ISAAC M. BATES, Notary Public.

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